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SUBJECT: NDPC SECURITY SURVEYS

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(B) BONN 04517, 131515Z MAR 78

1. TWO TEAMS WERE ORGANIZED HERE FOR THE PURPOSE OF
CONDUCTING NDPC SURVEYS IN FIVE COUNTRIES IN EUROPE.
ONE TEAM WAS TO VISIT NORWAY, BELGIUM AND UK DURING
PERIOD APRIL 3-21, 1978. THE OTHER WAS TO VISIT
GERMANY AND ITALY DURING THE SAME PERIOD. NDPC
SECURITY SURVEYS HAVE NOT BEEN CONDUCTED IN THESE
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COUNTRIES SINCE 1967-1969 THOUGH WE HAVE BEEN PROVIDING
EACH COUNTRY WITH SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNTS OF CLASSIFIED
MILITARY INFORMATION. IT IS TO OUR MUTUAL INTEREST
TO CONDUCT THESE SURVEYS FOR A BETTER UNDERSTANDING
OF EACH OTHERS' SECURITY PRACTICES IN ORDER TO
ACCESS OUR RESPECTIVE SECURITY POLICIES.

2. BASED ON OUR EXPERIENCE IN ARRANGING FOR THE EARLIER SECURITY SURVEYS, WE DID NOT ANTICIPATE THAT THE COUNTRIES PROPOSED TO BE VISITED, EACH CURRENTLY INVOLVED IN COPRODUCTION EFFORTS INVOLVING US CLASSIFIED MILITARY INFORMATION, WOULD INTERPOSE

OBJECTION. WE THEREFORE ARRANGED FOR AND NOW COMPLETED NECESSARY US BRIEFINGS FOR THE TEAM MEMBERS ON EACH COUNTRY TO BE VISITED. A GREAT DEAL OF TIME AND EFFORT HAS BEEN EXPENDED ON THIS ASPECT ALONE. FURTHER, ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE PROPOSED VISITS HAVE INVOLVED CONSIDERABLE EFFORT ON THE PART OF THE US EMBASSIES IN EACH OF THE HOST COUNTRIES.

3. AS OF THIS DATE, WE HAVE RECEIVED ACCEPTANCE OF OUR PROPOSED VISITS FROM NORUAY (APRIL 10-14), BELGIUM (APRIL 17-21) AND ITALY (APRIL 13-21). THESE DATES WERE CONFIRMED AFTER MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE ADJUSTMENTS WERE MADE THROUGH AN EXCHANGE OF MESSAGES.

4. FOR BONN. YOUR MESSAGE REFERENCE (B) ADVISES THAT THE DEFENSE MINISTRY WILL HOLD AN INTERNAL MEETING ON MARCH 16 TO CONSIDER WHETHER OR NOT THE APRIL 3-7 TIMEFRAME CAN BE ACCEPTED. WE HAVE NOT BEEN OFFICIALLY ADVISED OF THE RESULTS OF THAT MEETING. WE UNDERSTAND UNOFFICIALLY THAT GERMAN MOD OFFICIALS ARE SEEKING CONFIDENTIAL

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TO POSTPONE THE SURVEYS UNTIL THE LATTER PART OF MAY. PLEASE ADVISE THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE THAT SUCH POSTPONEMENT WOULD INVOLVE ANOTHER ROUND OF RENEGOTIATION WITH OTHER COUNTRIES WITH WHOM WE HAVE ALREADY MADE PRIOR ADJUSTMENTS. MOREOVER, POSTPONEMENT UNTIL THE SUGGESTED MAY DATES WOULD, IN ALL LIKELIHOOD, INVOLVE A TEAM REORGANIZATION AND REBRIEFING. IT WOULD BE FEASIBLE TO CONDUCT THE NDPC SECURITY SURVEY IN GERMANY FOLLOWING THE COMPLETION OF THE SURVEY IN ITALY. THEREFORE, YOU SHOULD URGE THE MINISTRY TO AGREE THAT THE SURVEY BE CONDUCTED DURING THE WEEK BEGINNING APRIL 24, 1978.

5. FOR LONDON. BY REFERENCE (A) WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE DATE OF APRIL 3-7 IS NOT ACCEPTABLE BUT THAT THE MODUK PROPOSES THE WEEKS OF MAY 8, 15 OR 22. THE SAME IMPLICATIONS AS NOTED FOR BONN APPLY. IT IS FEASIBLE FOR THE TEAM DESIGNATED TO VISIT UK, BELGIUM AND NORWAY TO REARRANGE ITS SCHEDULE SO AS TO BE IN UK ON APRIL 24. REQUEST YOU PROPOSE THIS DATE TO MODUK AND MAKE THEM AWARE OF THE COMPLICATIONS WHICH ARE INVOLVED IN FURTHER POSTPONEMENT. YOUR

UNDERSTANDING OF THE SURVEY PURPOSE AND INTEREST IN
PARAGRAPHS C AND D OF REFERENCE (A) IS ACCURATE.
THE TEAM IS COMPRISED OF THREE MEMBERS: MR. GEORGE
PASEUR, GS-14, AIR FORCE (LEADER); MR. NORMAN H.
DEMBECK, GS-13, DIA; MR. SHERMAN F. TURNER, GS-12,

ARMY. EACH MEMBER IS A PROFESSIONAL SECURITY SPECIALIST
WITH EXPERTISE IN ALL AREAS TO BE COVERED BY THE SURVEY.

6. FOR BOTH BONN AND LONDON: IF YOU ARE SUCCESSFUL
IN ARRANGING FOR THE THE NDPC SECURITY SURVEY FOR THE
WEEK BEGINNING APRIL 24, PLEASE ALSO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS
FOR THE FOLLOWING:

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A. APPROPRIATE COUNTRY CLEARANCE FOR TEAM MEMBERS.

B. INDIVIDUAL ROOM ACCOMMODATIONS FOR EACH TEAM MEMBER.

C. APPROPRIATE TRAVEL MEANS TO SURVEY SITES.

D. PROVIDE NAME AND PHONE NUMBER OF YOUR SURVEY
COORDINATOR.

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